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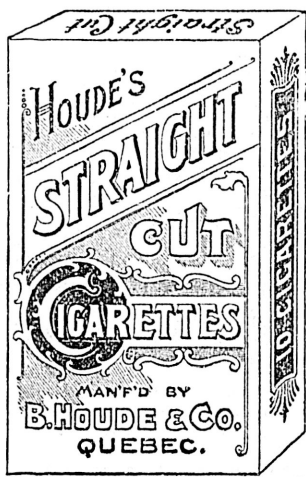
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Smoothed By Diplomacy.

Germany Assured of Compensation if Innocent Vessels Are Seized.

American Flour Released on Proof That Not Destined for Enemy.

Boer Freedom of Delagoa Bay—Mine Tax Touches Continental Purses.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—The German and French holders of Transvaal gold shares have decided to co-operate in resisting the reported gold mine tax of 30 per cent. on the output. This decision was reached to-day.

LIKE A GERMAN PORT.

London, Jan. 11.—The Times in a special article dealing with the Delagoa Bay question expresses the opinion that the endeavor of the Boers to overrun Natal lends confirmation to assertions made before the war by prominent Boers that they would seize Durban as a port. The article proceeds to point out that by the through rate system, especially favorable to the Transvaal shipments over the Delagoa Transvaal railway, German ship owners have been able to secure traffic with little risk of examination at Continental ports or at Delagoa Bay. The article concludes by again urging the government to endeavor to secure a more strict examination.

THE GERMAN SEIZURES.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—Great Britain's formal written answer to Germany's formal protest has not yet been received, but another oral declaration by Lord Salisbury to Count von Hatzfeld, German ambassador in London, has been telegraphed to Berlin, showing that Great Britain admits her obligation to pay damages for seizing vessels not carrying contraband. It is admitted by the foreign office that the armoured cruiser Deutschland, flagship of Prince Henry of Prussia, may be sent to Delagoa Bay together with the gunboat Habicht.

The examination of the cargo of the Bundesrath, the foreign office has been informed—is still in progress.

AMERICAN FLOUR RELEASED.

London, Jan. 10.—American flour seized at Delagoa Bay has been released. Ambassador Choate had an interview with the Marquis of Salisbury this afternoon and received a verbal reply to representations of the Washington government. The British note on the subject was sent later to the United States embassy and the gist of it was cable to Washington. In brief, foodstuffs are not considered contraband of war, unless intended for the enemy.

The foreign office only arrived at this decision to-day and it was not until Mr. Choate's interview had ended that a note embodying the provisions was drawn up. Several of the government's advisers wanted to make a regulation regarding canned goods, but this was decided to be impracticable. The decision to make flour and grain in transit to the enemy contraband, is evidently hedged in by many difficulties of execution. But the foreign office believes that investigation will generally determine whether the goods are really meant for consumption at Lorenzo Marques or in the Transvaal.

Mr. Choate called Lord Salisbury's note to the state department at Washington to-night and Col. Hay is expected to reply accepting the terms. The latter was not taken by Mr. Choate as he had first to receive authority from the state department to do so.

CRITICS OF THE WAR.

Mr. Balfour Makes Further Statements in Reply—Sir Charles Dilke and the Yeomanry.

London, Jan. 10.—Mr. A. J. Balfour, at a luncheon to-day repudiated the accusation that he was "a thick and thin supporter of the war office." It was impossible, in a great war, he said, to carry out everything as we can on paper. It was not true that the British guns were inferior to the enemy's. He did not claim that the army system was perfect, but critics ought not to ignore the extraordinary military problems of the present war. Of the first time in the history of the world the country had to meet an enemy entirely mounted, but if Great Britain had entered into the war with a vast number of mounted soldiers, it would have been long before it could have been concluded. It was ridiculous to charge the war office with want of prescience, and he was sure justice would be done in due time to the administrative system of the army.

Sir Charles Dilke, speaking at Chiswick to-night, declared that he was prepared to ask in the House of Commons whether the government had taken sufficient steps with regard to the facts of the military situation known at the time. "The language Lord Salisbury employed in parliament," he continued, "constituted an unnecessary menace—the very thing which Mr. Balfour said it was a government's first duty to abstain from—and made war probable. More than this, the government is responsible for the fact that at the outset of the war we were without guns enough for one army corps."

THE SUFFOLKS DISASTER.

Enemy Surprised Them With Volley at Thirty Paces, While Colonel Was Addressing Officers.

Rensburg, Cape Colony, Jan. 8.—It is reported here officially with reference to the disaster to the first battalion of the Suffolk Regiment, that Lt.-Col. Watson marched the regiment in close column to the top of the hill at midnight. He assembled the officers and was addressing them just at daybreak when the enemy volleyed at a distance of thirty paces. The colonel, his adjutant and two other officers were killed.

The Suffolks, who had scarcely fired a shot, fled back to the pickets, about a thousand yards away, some one having shouted "Retire." About 150 however, remained, lost heavily and finally surrendered.

Our operations since have been unimportant. Several reconnaissances have been made, and show that the enemy is jealously guarding his communications to the north.

Free Staters

Jeer Allies.

Waited For Deadly Bayonets While Transvaalers Were in Flight.

Assault on Ladysmith Reluctantly Undertaken and Causing Open Quarrel.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 11.—The Standard has the following dated Jan. 8th from its special correspondent at Frere Camp: "I hear on good authority that President Kruger sent word to the Boer headquarters asking why Ladysmith had not been attacked, and that the reply was, 'We should lose too many men.'"

"His answer to this excuse was the suggestion that the Free Staters might be put in the fore front. This suggestion was taken and the attack delivered. "President Kruger's advice was so far good that the Free Staters behaved better than the Transvaalers have done. At all events they managed to seize a hill. Later in the day the Transvaalers retired before General White's counter-attacks amid the jeers of the Free Staters, who actually stuck to their position until they were bayoneted to death. After this affair it is almost certain that the allies will quarrel."

"A heavy gun, mounted on Umbulwana Hill has been firing since daybreak. Evidently the siege of Ladysmith is still maintained."

"STUPID AND PERVERSE."

So the London Times Describes the Conduct of the War.

London, Jan. 11.—The Times in an editorial criticizing at great length the government's conduct in the war alludes to the "stupid and perverse mistakes" that have been made, and demands that the "practice of the non-revelation of facts" be abandoned. It insists strongly upon knowing "the truth, and the whole truth about the situation," and finds fault with Mr. Balfour's defence, piecemeal.

HUGH JOHN IN CONTROL.

New Manitoba Ministry Sworn in—Only Three Salaried Members for the Present.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—(Special)—Manitoba's new cabinet was sworn in to-day by Lieut.-Governor Patterson as follows:

Premier and attorney-general—Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, Winnipeg.

Provincial treasurer and minister of agriculture—Hon. John A. Davidson, Neepawa.

Provincial secretary and minister of public works—Hon. D. H. McFadden, Emerson.

Without portfolio—James Johnston, Boissevain, and Hon. Colin H. Campbell, Winnipeg.

The first three named will have to go back to their constituents for re-election. The election of Mr. Innis for Beautiful Plains being protested, it is confidently expected that he will be unseated, in which event Mr. Davidson, recently defeated, will again be a candidate in that constituency.

The retiring members of the Greenway cabinet called at the government buildings this morning and said good-bye to the clerks in the departments.

Roberts At The Cape.

With His Landing There Are Indications of Move by Buller's Column.

Desultory Shelling Kept Up—The Force For Ladysmith Assault.

Cape Dutch Deluded by False Reports of Triumphs Over British.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 10.—9:05 p. m.—Gen. Lord Roberts, the new commander of the British forces in South Africa, and his chief of staff, Lord Kitchener, have arrived at Capetown.

STRETCHER BEARERS MOVE.

London, Jan. 11.—The Durban correspondent of the Standard, telegraphing Tuesday, says that 1,200 Indian stretcher bearers started for the front the previous night and that their departure was regarded in Durban as indicative of a renewal of the fighting.

SHELLING LADYSMITH.

A despatch to the Daily Telegraph dated Monday, January 8, at noon, from Frere Camp says: "Firing from the Boers' position around Ladysmith began early to-day. It still continues but the cannonading is light and irregular."

THE BRITISH CAMPS.

The Daily Mail has the following despatch dated January 8, from Frere Camp: "With the exception of the usual shelling of the Boer positions by the Naval guns, the British force remains inactive."

"Eight Boer camps were seen to-day by a patrol along the Tugela in a westerly direction. All were quiet." "Natives say that when they reconnoitered near Colenso on Saturday the Boers hurried from Springfield. This supports the belief that Colenso was weakened to attack Ladysmith."

CAPE DUTCH DELUDED.

The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs Monday saying: "The Boer successes have been followed by a tremendous outburst of enthusiasm and Boer sympathy in the western part of the colony. Reports from Paarl say the whole district is made hideous at night by bands of young men parading in the villages, and singing the Transvaal volkslied, while the children are everywhere practising the national songs of the republic. The following are specimens of statements believed by the Western Dutch: 'Buller and Rhodes are prisoners' and 'Two thousand Boers secretly sailed and captured Capetown.'"

THE SECOND CANADIANS

Militia Officers' Commissions in Regular Army—The Montezuma Rejected—Chaplains Named.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—The medical board at Halifax examined the Montezuma to-day and recommended that she be utilized as a transport. The government, therefore, rejected her, and are looking for another vessel, which will further delay the departure of the second contingent.

The regulations under which Canadian militia officers may secure commissions in the British army have been received and will be furnished district officers. New khaki uniforms for the first contingent are to be sent out.

Montreal, Jan. 10.—Archbishop Bruchesi, has appointed, at the request of the government, a chaplain to accompany the second Canadian contingent to South Africa. The priest, selected is Rev. Father Sinnet, a native of Ontario, who has spent a number of years in active work in the Northwest.

THE KURUMAN MOVE.

Boers Wished a Base for Fomenting Rebellion in Another British District.

London, Jan. 11.—The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Chronicle telegraphing Monday says:

"The Boers assert that eighty natives fought on the side of the British at Kuruman. They say their object in capturing the place was to open the way for a command to go south into the Prieska and Konhard districts where the Boers hope to foment a rebellion."

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Victoria, B.C., January 6, 1900.

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MARTIN VS. SEMLIN.

Mr. Joseph Martin's arraignment of Mr. Semlin yesterday on the score of breach of faith and incompetency was very severe. We do not propose to discuss it in any way except to say that in the political field, when personal differences become acute, severe things will invariably be said. It may also be said that the method by which the Premier attained his position and his fitness for it are public matters, and while there may be a divergence of views as to the language that ought to be employed in discussing them, there can be none as to the propriety of ventilating them on the floor of the house. It was to be expected that Mr. Martin, having in mind his dismissal from office, would take an early opportunity for an attack upon Mr. Semlin. But surely no one expected that Mr. Semlin's colleagues and supporters would sit dumb in their seats while their leader was so terribly assailed. During the other portions of his speech Mr. Martin was frequently interrupted by members on the government side of the house with contradictions, but when the Premier was under the lash, as no other man in the house has been for years, not a man of them interjected even a murmur of disapproval. Mr. Cotton sat silent in his seat with a satisfied smile on his face as though Mr. Martin was doing his work and turning down the Premier to make way for him. Mr. Henderson, ready with interruptions at all times, sat dumb. Mr. Hume and Dr. McKechnie were mute; while all the rank and file heard what the ex-Attorney-General said of their leader without so much as a gesture of dissent. The galleries sympathized to some degree with Mr. Semlin, whom the people have grown to like for his many excellent qualities, while Mr. Martin mercilessly scored him; but they sympathized with him still more when they saw that his so-called friends and colleagues were willing to let the charges against him go out to the world without a word, a murmur, or even a gesture of dissent. The proper course for Mr. Semlin's friends, if he has any, was to have at once denied Mr. Martin's statements, if they dared, or offset them in some way if they could. They might very properly have kept the house in session for the evening for that purpose. Instead of this the debate stands over for two days, and the most damning accusations of incompetency and breach of trust ever made in this province against a cabinet minister will in the meanwhile go broadcast all over the country without a breath of denial.

If Mr. Semlin should feel this treatment at the hands of his colleagues and supporters sufficiently keenly to place his resignation in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor, he will only display that degree of spirit that would be becoming to a man with any sense of honor. He might properly say to his colleagues and so-called supporters that if they are prepared to sit dumb in their seats while he is mercilessly arraigned for breach of faith and incompetency, it is idle for him to pretend that he enjoys their confidence, and that nothing remains for him except to resign.

THE DAYLIGHT SERVICE.

A correspondent, "A. B.," in another column criticizes the changed service to Vancouver, to be inaugurated on the 15th February. This "daylight service," he contends, will be both inconvenient and costly to Victorians having business in Vancouver, requiring them to spend an additional day there. "A. B." is quite correct in this; but the daylight service was insisted upon so strenuously by citizens of Victoria that the C. P. R. in turn insisted that it be given them. Now that it is arranged for, here is a protest against its operation, and there will likely be many more before and after the service is begun. The service as at present rendered is an excellent one for Victoria business men, for it permits them to transact business in Vancouver and return the same day. The new service will be of more benefit to Vancouver for it will necessitate the payment by all Victorians of one day's hotel fare, and the loss of a day's time. But this is the service that was demanded—and it looks as if some people did not know what they wanted, or at any rate had not considered the result. "A. B." claims that the new service is being made to suit the plans of the C. P. R. We believe if Mr. Shaughnessy was questioned on this point that he would reply that the change was being made to meet what was understood to be the desire of Victoria, and that had it not been for the agitation in Victoria for such service the C. P. R. would not have been requested to supply it. It is more important to the C. P. R. to give Victoria the connection they asked for than to the C. P. N. Co., for the amount received by the latter on through passenger and freight business is a very small percentage of the rates charged. If there will be a detriment to Victoria in the changed schedule, they can only leave themselves to blame for it. "A. B." is anxious to know how through passengers from the Sound will benefit Victoria; their stay being limited to an hour or two. At present there are no passengers coming this way, and if the

C. P. N. Co. receive their proportion of his fare and sell the passenger a breakfast, will that not be a benefit to the company and an indirect benefit to Victoria? "A. B." also suggests that 8:30 or 9 o'clock a.m. be the starting hour from Victoria and a return hour of 7 p.m. This would not give any further time in Vancouver and would simply enable "A. B." to partake of his breakfast at home and pay for his dinner on the steamer. There has been considerable unnecessary criticism of the C. P. N. Co.'s methods in connection with this Vancouver service, and if continued the C. P. R. may step in and give the night freight boat and the fast daylight service. The C. P. N. Co. could not be expected to do this with an inevitable loss as a result. Should, however, the C. P. R. take over the service, Victorians will find that there will be a serious loss to the business of the retailers here, for the home and purchasing port of the steamers would naturally be in Vancouver. There is a good old adage to "let sleeping dogs lie," even if you are curious to see what would result if you waked one up.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

A great deal of interest is being taken in the elections to be held to-day. The city newspapers have taken very little part in the discussion, there apparently being no special issue of a municipal character. There is a somewhat broad distinction between the position taken by Messrs. Redfern and Hayward in regard to the movement of the city, which of itself makes an issue that might very properly have been discussed in the press and at public meetings. The somewhat late date at which Mr. Hayward published his address to the citizens and the still later date at which Mr. Redfern's appeared rendered this impossible. The very great difference of opinion between these rival candidates can hardly fail to have impressed itself upon the citizens. Mr. Hayward pledges to advance as far as he legitimately can the improvement of the city in all possible directions, while Mr. Redfern confines himself to a special line of communication. We think in the interests of the city of Victoria it is highly desirable that the result of to-day's election shall be a demonstration that the people of Victoria are in earnest in this great matter. The verdict of the people to-day may influence the future of the city for a long time to come.

So far as the gentlemen seeking election to the office of aldermen are concerned we do not care to say very much. The Colonist has given a great deal of attention to the proceedings of the council during the past year, and one of the features of its transactions was the disposition manifested by some of the aldermen to arrogate to themselves dictatorial powers and the right to disregard the wishes of the citizens, when expressed in accordance with the statutes. Without mentioning any names, we may express the hope that in the next aldermanic board this element will be conspicuous by its absence.

THE LATE LOAN.

Mr. Turner's presentation of the facts regarding the late provincial loan was a powerful indictment of the government. It was calculated to impress thoughtful business men. Briefly the history of our indebtedness is that the first issue found little or no favor at the hands of the public, British Columbia being, in 1891, hardly known outside of the provincial offices, and it was necessary to have the loan underwritten. The underwriting of a loan means that certain financial houses agree to take it up and supply the money, trusting to their ability to dispose of the stock to their clients. It is always necessary to pay a premium to the underwriters so that they may have a little margin to come and go on in case the disposal of the stock proves more difficult than expected. The loan of 1891 was taken by underwriters at 80. The loan of 1895 was taken to a very considerable extent by the public at 95, thus showing that the province had acquired a financial standing in the minds of the British people. Here we have in the space of these four years these two very gratifying changes. First, an advance in the value of our stock from 80 to 95, and second, an established standing before the investing public—changes which must unquestionably reflect great credit upon the gentlemen administering the government at that time.

The progress of the province under the late government was such that when the present administration came in our stock was worth 104 on the market. The price continued to keep up until after the last session, when the policy of repudiation and interference with business interests, which marked that occasion, became crystallized into statutes. Then our stock declined. When Mr. Cotton placed his last loan, although he boasted in advance that he intended to introduce a new system, he found himself compelled to resort to the same people that Mr. Turner dealt with, namely, Woolston & Beeton; Glynn, Mills, Currie & Co., and the Bank of British Columbia. This loan was offered to the public at 96, and yet less than five per cent of it was bid for, although our stock had been quoted a few days before at from 97 to 99. Thus, so far as the investing public was concerned, the province was back in 1890 where it was in 1891.

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It may be claimed that this reception of our loan was due to some exceptional condition of the London money market, but this argument will not hold good, for the Nova Scotia loan, issued at the same time, met with a very different reception. The Nova Scotia loan was largely bid for by the public, being subscribed for almost twice over, the bids ranging from 95 to 100. Thus it is seen that the investing public of Great Britain had confidence in Nova Scotia in 1899 although they had withdrawn that confidence from British Columbia. Commenting upon this loan Mr. Turner said: "The prices offered ranged from 95 to 100; he believed an average of 97, although the mover of the address said 95½." That Mr. Turner is probably correct will appear from the following from the London Capitalist of July 15th last: "The tenders at the National Provincial Bank on Tuesday for the sum of £164,000 three per cent. stock by the government of Nova Scotia amounted to £303,000, at prices ranging from the minimum of 95 to £100. Tenders at the minimum will leave about 16 per cent., and above that in full. The largest tender was £70,000 at 97." But worse is to follow. In accepting as true the statement that the Nova Scotia averaged 95½ and British Columbia sold at 96, we have the quotation on December 31st of Nova Scotia 93 to 95 and British Columbia 91 to 93. That is, the price asked for Nova Scotia stock had only fallen one-half of one per cent, while that of British Columbia stock had fallen three per cent., while the price offered for our stock showed a fall of five per cent.

What is above stated is incontrovertible. It cannot be denied nor explained away. It tells more eloquently than anything else how the province has lost standing under the administration of the present government. The conditions in 1899 were vastly better than those of 1895 in the floating of a loan. In the last-mentioned year Mr. Turner had to go into the market with a falling revenue, or one that was capable of great expansion under wise administration. In 1895 Mr. Turner was subjected in London to the grossest possible attacks from the opposition in this province. In 1899 the opposition refrained from doing or saying anything to embarrass Mr. Cotton's flotation. Yet we see how badly he did, and to what a low condition he and his colleagues have brought the province.

THE EARL'S COURT EXHIBITION.

Mr. Turner did not too strongly condemn the omission of the government to provide for the representation of the province at the Earl's Court mining exhibition. The Colonist directed attention to the matter some time ago, but to no purpose, the government had made up its mind not to participate in that exhibition, reserving its whole effort for the Paris exhibition. There can be no doubt in the minds of those who have given this subject their attention that a special mining exhibition is a better place to advocate the resources of the province than an exhibition of a general nature. This is not wholly a matter of opinion as Mr. Semlin seems to think. Doubtless he is quite sincere in that respect, but he does not know. Some few years ago certain special exhibitions were held in Great Britain. Among them were the forestry exhibition at Edinburgh, the fisheries exhibition at London, and the Indian and Colonial exhibitions, also in London. These special exhibitions were participated in by nearly all the provinces and colonies and it is a matter capable of demonstration that very large commercial benefits resulted from them.

The reason of this is that at the special exhibitions the attendance is largely made up from persons who go there for the express purpose of acquiring information on the points to which the exhibitors are directed. On the other hand, while at such great affairs as the World's Fair at Chicago and the coming Exposition Universelle at Paris the attendance will be vastly greater, it will be made up chiefly of sightseers, not of persons seeking information for business purposes. The attention of visitors to the great exhibitions will be distracted by countless attractions, while at special exhibitions nothing of this kind can occur.

In his reference to this matter yesterday, Mr. Semlin treated it as though the Earl's Court mining exhibition was a private affair got up by speculators for the purpose of making money. Doubtless Mr. Semlin thought this to be true, or he would not have stated it; but he is wholly wrong, the exhibition having been got up by the London Chamber of Commerce, a body whose influence and importance is such that even the British Columbia government might reasonably pay some attention to its invitation.

We do not wish to be understood as implying that the government has done wrongly in preparing a fine exhibition for Paris. This is an excellent thing to do, and we hope very great good will result from it.

THE LONDON OFFICE.

The London agency of British Columbia has been the subject of a great deal of discussion, and some very marked differences of opinion. The observations of Mr. Turner on this point in his speech upon the address were so much to the point that we reproduce them in full. A brief summary was given in yesterday's Colonist, because the demand upon our space made it impossible to give what he said in detail. We therefore quote from the report of his remarks as taken at the time. Mr. Turner said:

I think it was very prejudicial to British Columbia to virtually close the agency as had been done, especially as we see the colonies and other provinces now extending their offices in London

in order to attract the attention of the world. As to the position of the office that was closed, many thought that Victoria street was not the right place, yet we see almost all the colonies have their offices in that street, including the important one of the Canadian commissioner. It is true that the member for Cariboo (General Kinchant) stood in the house that Victoria street was not suitable, being a very quiet street with no business and no traffic except to the army and navy stores; but that gentleman was very greatly mistaken, as Victoria street is one of the busiest thoroughfares in London, the houses of parliament being at one end and one of the largest London railway stations at the other. I said the office is closed; for it is virtually, the small sum voted for it now being worse than useless. It was worse than useless to expend a paltry £200 a year on it. There should be a thousand or two thousand a year appropriated in order to keep up an office worthy of the province. The present occupant of the position of agent-general is, I believe, a first rate man, but he could do no good on the present lines.

It is certainly a matter of very great regret that at a time when all the colonies of the Empire are endeavoring to maintain attractive offices in public places, British Columbia has been relegated to a locality so obscure that most visitors have literally to call in the aid of a police officer to find it. What the province requires is a good office in a good place. We should suppose that the best place for such an office is in the neighborhood of the other offices of a similar character. The representative of the province is conceded on all sides to be very well adapted to the work assigned to him, and if he cannot accomplish much it is not his fault but is due to the parsimony and short-sighted policy of the government, which appointed him.

Mr. Semlin endeavored to snipe the dissolution whip over the heads of his supporters yesterday, but there was no snapper on it. Everyone knows that he has no right to speak authoritatively on this point.

If you hear a noise in the legislature when a minister is speaking, which by its resonant volume carries the imagination away to the banks of the Tugela, you must not suppose a cannonade is in progress. It is only Major-General Kinchant expressing his approval. The gallant General, not having a howitzer at command, employs the lid of his desk as a substitute.

Will Mr. Cotton accept Mr. Joseph Martin's challenge and resign his seat in Vancouver and try conclusions with him there? Or will Dr. McKechnie do it in Nanaimo City, or Mr. Smith in South Nanaimo or Mr. Semlin in West Yale? Well, hardly. They know too well what the result will be when the people get a chance at them, no matter who opposes them.

THE BHOYS.

Grey breaks the dawn over bluff Dundee,
Grey hangs the mist on the plain,
Gorman and Dillon, Fitzpatrick, Magee,
Brady, O'Brien and Kane,
Will you wonder what stock ye are bred?

'Tis ye are the lads for the work—
Wait till they hear how the fight has sped
Gilligan, Kelly and Burke!
Thunder of guns! Stout gunner, well done!
But Patrick is waiting below;
A run choose your cover! a climb and a run!
Up, Dolan! up, Carey, ye go!
O heroes was the shriek of the shell overhead.

O fiercer the shimmering steel!
Ah! Pat, when they hear how the fight has sped,
They'll guess how the Dutchmen feel.

But what of the fallen? Ay, brave and true,
Who doubts of what breed are ye?
Ye have done the good work that was yours to do.

Work of the years to be!
Better the grave 'neath your hard-won hill,
With the life of them that mourn,
Than the life of the mocker, mocking still.
'Mid wrangle, hate and scorn.

So Gorman and Dillon, Fitzpatrick, Magee,
'Tis ye were the lads for the work!
God give us others as loyal as ye,
Gilligan, Kelly and Burke!
—It, Cornah, in the Outlook.

HOW ONE GETS BILIOUS.

A sluggish liver fails to filter the bile from the blood, and when the poisonous matter goes through the body in the circulation, the whole system is tainted and deranged. This is called biliousness and can be completely cured by Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney and Liver Pills, which act directly on the liver, making it healthy and active. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box. The cheapest medicine in the world.

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AH HOY,
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Victoria, B. C., January, 2nd, 1900.

CUSTOMS BLANKS
All the New Forms Required by the New Customs Regulations
Are to be had at the office
THE COLONIST in any quantity desired.

A very useful little table was recently published by the late Peter J. Leech, of Victoria, entitled:
"Hour Angles Without Logarithms."
It was originally intended for the use of surveyors in Canada, but the results obtained from it are sufficiently accurate to be of great service to navigators in the latitudes mentioned, viz. 40 degrees to 60 degrees north, and 40 degrees to 60 degrees south.
Should the navigator prefer to determine his hour angle in the usual manner, Mr. Leech's table will prove invaluable as affording a ready check upon his work.
Copies of the table may be had at the bookstores, or at the office of the Colonist Printing & Publishing Company, Victoria.
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VICTORIA TIDES.

By Mr. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to 14 feet of water in the channel off Sheet Point, and 18 1/2 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Thursday, Jan. 11.		Friday, Jan. 12.	
Time.	Height above zero	Time	Height above zero
1:23 a.m.	9.8 feet.	2:20 a.m.	10.0 feet.
3:30 a.m.	9.2 feet.	5:10 a.m.	9.6 feet.
10:00 a.m.	9.9 feet.	11:10 a.m.	9.3 feet.
6:00 p.m.	2.8 feet.	7:00 p.m.	2.4 feet.

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THE LOCAL NEWS.

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Air Tight Stoves, perfect beauties, at Clarke & Pearson's.
Mrs. Lombard will resume her music teaching January 4, at 56 Collinson street.
Golf.—Just arrived, a splendid stock of Golf Goods a Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.
Some specialties in French Lace Curtains, only a few pairs of each pattern. Weiler Bros.
Ald. R. T. Williams will be a candidate for Central Ward at the coming municipal election.
Five hundred pairs of Lace Curtains in the very latest styles. The quality, design and price will suit all-comers. Weiler Bros.
Died in San Francisco.—Mrs. Elizabeth Miles, formerly a resident of this city and at one time the owner of Carey Castle, died in San Francisco on Saturday last of paralysis. She was 81 years of age.
Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their goods. If they do they are soon found out. "HOND" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore keep it away before you.

Mr. Muirhead's Purchase.—The handsome black cab, "Don Carlos," formerly owned by Col. Peters, was purchased yesterday by James Muirhead, sr. Mr. Muirhead, who is somewhat of an equestrian, intends to train the pretty little mare for next season's sport.
W.C.T.U. Meeting.—The parlor social announced by the W.C.T.U., to take place at Mrs. Smith's, Hillside avenue, this afternoon, has been postponed for a week. A devotional meeting will be held at the Refuge Home at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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American Citizens.—The United States Consul is desirous of securing a complete list as possible of the American citizens of Victoria. All residents of this city who are citizens of the United States are requested to call at the Consulate and register their names as soon as possible.

Special Cars.—The committee of the Junior Bachelors and Benedicts' dance have made arrangements with the tramway company to give a special service to the Dallas hotel on Wednesday next. Cars will run to the hotel every few minutes from Government street between 8 and 9 p.m. Special cars will run to Esquimalt and to all points of the city for the convenience of the returning guests.

Clean, cold cash—a discount of 20 per cent. on all cash sales of over one dollar until January 31st in all lines of clothing, men's furnishings, hats, etc., at Reid's winter clearance sale, 122 Government street.

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Vote for John Hall and keep up park to standard of excellence.

The Messiah.—The orchestra rehearsal was held last evening in Watt's hall, and this evening the chorus will practice in the city hall as usual.

Interesting Entertainment.—Amongst the attractions to be given at the entertainment at the Reformed Episcopal schoolroom to-morrow evening will be a shadow pantomime. A splendid programme has been prepared.

Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is a gentleman's drink.

A feature of the entertainment to be given on Friday evening at the R. E. Sunday School room will be a shadow pantomime. This is a novelty here and Victorians should not fail to take it in. Those who can rely on a good evening's amusement for both young and old.

New Officers.—Court Vancouver A. O. F. has elected the following officers, who will be installed on Monday evening: C.R. A. E. Greenwood; L.C.R. D. McKenzie; treasurer, W. B. Hall; secretary, S. Wilson; S. W. Geo. Forquer; J.W. J. H. Smith; S.B. A. Mansell; J.B. A. Anderson.

Visited the Schools.—President Graves, of the Washington State University, spent yesterday in the city on his way home from Vancouver, where he attended the meeting of the Mainland Teachers' Association. He spent yesterday morning at the High School examining the classes and expressed great satisfaction with the work, principally of the algebra and Latin classes.

Most everyone who has whiskey for sale compares its virtue to Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

Regimental Order.—The following regimental order was yesterday issued by order of Lt.-Col. Gregory commanding the Fifth regiment C. A.: "Nos. 5 and 6 companies will parade at the drill hall on Monday, the 15th instant, at 8 p.m. o'clock to complete its organization under new establishment. The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Tuesday, the 16th instant at 8 p.m. o'clock. Staff and band will attend. Dress: Drill order."

Increased the Revenue.—Quite a sum was added to the city revenue yesterday as a result of the morning session of the police court. An Indian drunk contributed \$5 and \$1 costs; another Indian caught with whiskey in his possession paid \$25 and \$1 costs, and P. J. Crombie, of the Bank Exchange saloon, was fined \$40 for selling liquor on Sunday. Sam Goodwin, charged with supplying liquor to Indians, pleaded not guilty and his case was remanded until to-morrow.

McDermott-Fraser.—At St. Andrew's R.C. cathedral yesterday morning Mr. Alexander McDermott, contractor, and steevedore, was united in marriage by Bishop Doughty to Miss Grace Fraser, eldest daughter of the late James Fraser, manager of the Hudson's Bay company's stores at Yale. Immediately after the ceremony, which was a quiet one, Mr. and Mrs. McDermott left for the South on an extended honeymoon trip which will include all the Coast cities and the California resorts.

Your sideboard at home is incomplete if it is not stocked with Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

Delicacies for Dawson.—Messrs. M. Conlin and Joe Henney, who left last evening by the Tees for Skagway, are taking in to Dawson a quantity of frozen turkeys and oysters, expecting to get a good price for them at the Klondike capital. Jack Carr, the veteran Yukon mail carrier took up a number of cattle on the Seattle, which left the Sound yesterday, with the intention of driving them in to Dawson, but it is not thought he will be able to accomplish his purpose.

Mining Difficulty.—Mr. James Wilkes, president of the Nelson district Association of Western Federation of Miners and a former vice-president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, is a guest at the Dominion. In an interview he stated that the miners were willing to accept \$3.25 for an eight-hour day of mining, but wanted \$3.50 for development work. Better feeling, he says, now exists between the miners and mine owners and he looks for an early settlement of the differences.

No Quorum.—There was to have been a meeting of the board of school trustees yesterday afternoon but at the hour set only Trustees Marchant and McCandless were present. Later the fifteen minutes allowed by the rules having expired the meeting could not be held. The only important question to come up was a motion by Dr. Hall that the salaries of Miss Williams, principal of the Girls' Central School; Miss Cameron, principal of the South Park School; and Principals Tait, of Victoria West and Gillis, of the Boys' Central, be increased by \$5 a month from January 1st.

In times of peace; in times of war; The favorite drink is Jesse Moore.

Provincial Court.—The charge laid by Dr. Watt, Dominion quarantine officer, against Capt. Rice of the American ship Hawaiian Isles was not proceeded with yesterday, an adjournment being granted. Mr. L. P. Duff for the defendant entered a formal objection to Magistrate Hall hearing the case, his contention being that it was beyond his jurisdiction. The case will be continued to-day. Mr. Alexis Martin appeared for the Dominion government. The three men charged with disturbing the peace at Esquimalt were given their liberty, two pleading not guilty and being discharged and the other pleading guilty and being allowed out on suspended sentence.

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City Councillors And Trustees

After Quiet Municipal Campaign Electors Will Mark Their Ballots To-day.

A Heavy Poll Expected in the Mayoralty Contest—The Candidates.

Indications are that the municipal contest to-day will prove a very interesting one. The campaign, which virtually closed with last evening's meeting in the city hall, though a short one, has aroused considerable interest. Chief interest, of course, centres around the selection of a mayor; and both candidates are sure to poll a large vote, though the little betting that has been done favors Mr. Hayward. As regards the aldermanic contests, the fight in the Centre Ward is expected to be keener than that in South or North Ward, in view of the fact that in Centre Ward the candidates are exceptionally strong men. But little interest, as usual, is taken in the selection of school trustees.

It is understood that the Licensed Vintners decided not to name a preference for mayor, though their influence may be extended in favor of the aldermanic candidates.

The candidates are as follows:

FOR MAYOR.

Charles Edward Redfern, Charles Hayward.

FOR ALDERMEN.

North Ward.

John Kinsman, contractor.

George Lewis, builder.

Edward Brauer, contractor.

Maurice Humber brick manufacturer.

Thomas A. Brydon, building superintendent.

John L. Beckwith, commission merchant.

John Gerhard Tiarks, architect.

Central Ward.

Robert Taylor Williams, bookbinder.

Joseph B. Phillips, contractor.

Peter Campbell MacGregor, real estate agent.

James Stuart Yates, barrister-at-law.

Alexander Stewart, monumental dealer.

South Ward.

William Humphrey, gentleman.

John Jardine, contractor.

Richard Drake, contractor.

William George Cameron, merchant.

Henry Cooley, contractor.

William Wilson, plumber.

John Hall, gentleman.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Aaron Lewis, tinsmith.

Alfred Williams, financial agent.

William James Hanna, contractor of H. M. R. Navy.

Helen Mary Grant, housewife.

Thos. Melburn Brayslaw, carriage builder.

Richard Law Drury, insurance agent.

Arthur Lewis Belyea, barrister-at-law.

Beaumont Boggs, broker.

John Grahame Brown, contractor.

Polling places are: For mayor and school trustees, court room, city hall; for the various wards the public market building. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m.

At It Again.—Advani, the Indian "Prince," has been trying to get himself into more trouble. A Spokane paper says of him: "One more proof that G. Shani, the East Indian prince, rug merchant, globe-trotter and capitalist, and his distinguished co-patriot and fellow adventurer, Advani, of Sound fame, are the same person, has come to light. When Shani was in Spokane he tried to cash a draft for \$2,000 made on the Bank of Montreal at the Fidelity National Bank. The draft was sent to Montreal for collection, and the foreigner got his receipt for it from the local bank. This appeared to be all he wanted, as he did not make another effort to get any money other than to ask George S. Brooks, president of the bank, for a small advance, a request that was not granted. Yesterday the \$2,000 draft was returned from Montreal and an accompanying letter told the unsavory tale of princely dishonesty and nerve. The letter said: 'A party calling himself Advani has recently been notorious in his country, and we have a suspicion that the signature on the check is his handwriting. Advani cashed checks at one or two of the banks in this vicinity, and the checks are still unpaid. He was here in September last.'"

PERSONAL.

W. F. Bullen returned last evening from Vancouver.

James Muirhead, Jr., returned from Vancouver last evening.

J. J. Shalross spent yesterday in Vancouver, returning home last evening.

Louis Casey was a passenger for Skagway by the steamer Tees, sailing last evening.

E. A. Wadhams and S. A. Spencer, the canners, came down from Vancouver last evening.

A. H. B. Macgowan and H. Belliveau, of Vancouver, registered at the Deland last evening.

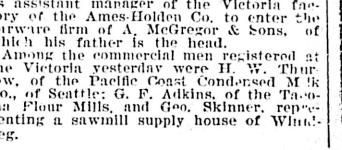
M. Conlin and Joe Henney were passengers by the steamer Tees, which sailed last evening for the North.

A. H. Ridgman, of the inland revenue department, is taking charge of the Nanaimo office for three weeks.

Geo. A. Brackett, who built the White Pass wagon road, and who is now interested in Atlin, is at the Deland.

A. G. McGregor has resigned his position as assistant manager of the Victoria factory of the Ames-Holden Co. to enter the hardware firm of A. McGregor & Sons, of which his father is the head.

Among the commercial men registered at the Victoria yesterday were H. W. Thurlow, of the Pacific Coast Condensed Milk Co.; Seathier, G. E. Perkins, of the Tacoma Flour Mills; and Geo. Skinner, representing a sawmill supply house of Whistler.



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BUSINESS FOR THE HOUSE.

Yesterday's Notices of Motion for Information Desired by Members of the Opposition.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

By Mr. Turner: For a return of correspondence in relation to the cancellation of the pre-emption claims at Log Cabin.

By Mr. Turner: For the presentation to the house of the accounts from the 1st July to the 31st January, 1899.

By Mr. Eberts: To amend the Placer Mining Act, 1899.

By Mr. Eberts: For a return of all letters and telegrams, if any, from the agent-general in London or the Bank of British Columbia, sent prior to the flotation of the last loan, calling the attention of the government to the fact that the presence of the minister of finance was necessary in London to facilitate the flotation.

By Mr. Helmcken: To amend the Tramway Incorporation Act.

QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED.

By Mr. Turner: Was that part of the personal property tax known as the mortgage tax collected in the year ending 30th June, 1899, or was any part of that tax collected?

By Mr. Turner: Has the government advertised for the construction of roads under the Development of Toll Roads Act? If so, what roads?

By Mr. Eberts: How much was paid to the agent-general in London during the year 1899, in addition to the sum voted by parliament?

By Mr. McPhillips: Is it intended to amend the Queen's Consul Act of 1899 so as to make it conform with the legislation of Ontario, and provide in proper cases for the recognition of the Dominion appointments, and in particular, recognizing gentlemen who have been and are now members of Her Majesty's Privy Council for Canada and hold Dominion patents as Queen's Counsel?

By Mr. McPhillips: Is it intended to bring in an act to make clear and define the jurisdiction of the Land Registry Act and the Judgments Act, 1890?

By Mr. McPhillips: Is it the intention to bring in an act striking out of all the railway acts (private) passed last session the following hurtful and unCanadian clause, which aims at the disturbance of railway rates? "In case at any time the said railway is declared by the parliament of Canada to be a work for the general benefit of Canada, then all powers granted by this act or by the British Columbia Railway Act shall thereupon cease and determine." The above clause appearing last session, and inserted at the instance of the government?

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